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Ex parte: PRAMOD K. SRIVASTAVA

Application No. 09/657,722

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

On October 31, 2005 and July 10, 2007, an Order Returning Undocketed Appeal (hereinafter "Order") was mailed and was electronically returned to the Examiner for compliance with the "Order". On February 8, 2007, the application was returned to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences. A review of the application reveals that it is still not ready for docketing as an appeal. The matters that require attention prior to docketing are identified below.

REPLY BRIEF

In response to the Supplemental Examiner's Answer mailed December 15, 2005, Appellant filed a Supplemental Reply Brief dated February 10, 2006. The Examiner must consider and acknowledge the Supplemental Reply Brief via written communication.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Appellant filed an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) dated November 20, 2003.

There is no indication on the record that the above Information Disclosure Statement was considered by the Examiner. A written communication notifying Appellant of the Examiner's consideration is required.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner for:

- 1) consideration and acknowledgment of the Supplemental Reply Brief, dated February 10, 2006;
- 2) consideration and acknowledgment of the Information Disclosure Statement date November 20, 2003 (signature on the associated Form 1449 is required); and
- 3) for such further action as may be appropriate.

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